

LAKEPORT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Beverly Benedict Hill Foreperson Lake County Civil Grand Jury P.O, Box 1078 Kelseyville, CA 95451

Re: REVISED Measure M reporting for fiscal years 2019/20 and 2020/21

Dear Foreperson Benedict Hill,

This report has been revised from the April 18 version to correct the amount of revenue reported, as well as correcting a typo in the page 2 table of figures (total INCLUDES payroll).

First off, please allow us to apologize for not providing this report to you by your requested date of April 15.

Second, below please find a report indicating revenue received and expenses associated with Measure M for fiscal years ending June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021. This report will encompass both years, but future reports will be done annually.

Below are revenues received from Measure M, per the final year-end financial statement from the County:

FYE 06/2020 = \$1,307,537FYE 06/2021 = \$1,440,7892-yr total = \\$2,748,326

The following information was taken from the final year-end financial statements provided by the County.

Increased Staffing Levels was one of the priorities established by Measure M.

In 2018, Lakeport Fire Protection District (LFPD) had to layoff 50% of its firefighting staff due to budget shortages. This resulted in the three (3) firefighting shifts being staffed by 2 firefighters, rather than 4 firefighters. One of the first things done, post-Measure M, was to rehire back these firefighters. Post-layoffs, LFPD's monthly average payroll cost was approximately \$62,000. The current payroll for a fully-staffed station is approximately \$93,000,

resulting in a \$31,000 monthly increase in payroll, post-Measure M. Annualized, these increased payroll costs amount to \$372,000/year, or \$744,000 over the last 2 years.

Increased Equipment Maintenance was another priority established by Measure M.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 (pre-Measure M), approximately \$9,000 was spend on equipment maintenance. For the FYE June 30, 2020, approximately \$75,000 was spent on equipment maintenance (a \$66,000 increase over the prior/pre-Measure M year) and for the FYE June 30, 2021, approximately \$90,000 was spent on equipment maintenance (an \$81,000 increase over the pre-Measure M year).

Increased Building Maintenance was another priority established by Measure M.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 (pre-Measure M), approximately \$4,600 was spent on building maintenance. For the FYE June 30, 2020, that number increased by almost \$9,500 as \$12,000 was spent to upgrade the Station 50 lobby/admin area.

Upgrading and Maintaining Fixed Assets was another priority established by Measure M.

In the FYE ending 06/2019 (pre-Measure M), LFPD spent \$0 on Fixed Assets-Equipment. For the FYE 06/2020, approximately \$51,000 was spent on the purchase of a used Engine (\$40,000) and a Lucas/chest compression device (\$10,600).

For the FYE ending 06/2020, approximately \$425,000 was spent on Fixed Assets-Equipment. This included approximately \$160,000 for SCBA equipment and \$200,000 as a down payment toward a Pierce Pumper (Total to be spent is approximately \$900,000). In addition, approximately \$17,000 was spent on firehoses and approximately \$43,000 was spent on extrication equipment.

The explanations above are summarized in the table below:

	2018-19		2019-20		2020-21	
Increased Payroll to return laid off workers			\$	372,000	\$	372,000
Vehicle/Equip Maintenance	\$	9,197	\$	74,691	\$	90,031
Building Maintenance	\$	4,603	\$	14,075	\$	4,271
Equip Rental/Lease	\$	28,821	\$	28,613	\$	33,003
Tools/Instruments	\$	613	\$	2,647	\$	7,625
Fixed Assets - Equipment	\$	2	\$	50,593	\$	424,635
Fixed Assets - Building	\$	90				
Total	\$	43,234	\$	542, 619	\$	931,565

Future uses of Measure M money for equipment include continued payments to pay off the Pierce Pumper purchased in 2020 (approx. \$700,000 still owed), a diesel exhaust system for stations 50 & 52 (approximately \$200,000 for both), as well as making Station 52 a fully

functional, habitable station (approximately \$100,000 + exhaust system already noted). Future uses for staffing include a 25% increase in staffing from 4 per shift to 5 per shift and hiring a Fire Marshall and a Fleet Manager. Additionally, LFPD would like to start a Rescue Watercraft Program and funds will be needed to staff and equip this program.

Sincerely,

Ray Lavelle

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cc:

Fire Chief Jeffrey Thomas LFPD Board of Directors